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was in the second year of a five-year lease renewal with the RUSD when enrollment began to decline last spring, said Mary Ann Wight, a member of the school's board of directors.

Uncertainty among parents and staff over the school's stability forced its closure just before the fall quarter began, she said. The private K-8 school had been run by the Berkeley Association for Christian Schools, representatives of which are now negotiating with the school district to end the lease.

Although representatives from the RUSD declined to comment on plans for the site, the district has said it is considering selling or developing some land jointly with a private developer in order to raise \$1.2 million needed for the 1988-89 budget. A consultant is studying the proposal and the board is scheduled to review its recommendations in early October.

District sites currently not in

recommendations in early October.
District sites currently not in use include Belding, Woods and Cortez elementary schools in Richmond; Jefferson and Berkeley Christian in Kensington, as well as six others in the county.
A resolution to be sent to the district stating Kensington citizens' concern about the future of the Berkeley Christian School site was adopted by the non-profit Kensington Community Council.

Mayor Resigns; EC Council Bolsters Police Hiring and Fire Services

Ready to Roll...

By David Thom

EL CERRITO – Mayor Anna
Howe's resignation was reluctantly accepted by the City Council at Tuesday's brief meeting.

A letter from Howe, who was diagnosed with lymphoma cancer earlier this year, read "It is with sadness that I resign from the City Council. I had hoped I would be able to return, but chemotherapy treatments have taken away much

of my energy."

All of the councilmembers expressed regret over her resignation, and agreed to prepare a resolution outlining Howe's contributions to the city during her seven years of service.

In other business, the council unanimously approved a police department program to increase the number of minority officers are needed for element will pay for a new recruit's salary and police academy training once the recruit passes a background investigation and is approved for hiring. The police force has faced stiff competition from larger cities for the police academy's limited number of minority graduates. Minority officers are needed for the city to meet its affirmative ac-

Second Cop Resigns In **Grigsby Case**

EL CERRITO -- The police of ficer who is suspected of standing by while his partner beat a homeless man last month resigned Monday, according to Police

by while his partner beat a homeless man last month resigned Monday, according to Police Chief Daniel Givens. Senior Officer Martin Knight, 37, quit the department one week after the resignation of Scott Schasker, 22, the officer accused of beating Leroy Grigsby and forcing him to walk into the Bay Aug. 3.

Minority groups have critized the district attorney for not filing criminal charges against Knight. Some claim the incident was racially motivated. Both officers allegedly involved in the incident are white. Grigsby is black.

District Attorney Gary Yancey has said there is insufficient evidence to prove any criminal wrongdoing by Knight. Schasker had pleaded innocent Aug. 30 on charges of beating, kidnapping, false imprisonment and unlawful arrest.

Albany Drug Bust

Discovery of Methamphetamine Lab Means Biggest Net in Years

RALBANY - A labaratory for laking illegal drugs was severed by police when of lear sturned to a discount lote last Thursday to follow-up a seemingly routine auto theft. The bust netted laboratory stilling equipment police said as probably being used to procea brown substance known as 2P, a key ingredient in the lanufacture of metham-letamines. Tests are being con-

Gearing up for Tri-City Safety Day at El Cerrito Plaza Saturday, Sept. 24, are the El Cerrito Fire Department, Regional paramedics, and the Kensington and Albany fire departments. The departments will host a day of safety consciousness featuring more than a dozen rescue and police agencies, fingerprinting of children, blood pressure checks, a helicopter landing and police dog demonstrations from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Walk, don't run.

very often," he said. "You only hear about them when you get a complaint about odors, or when they explode."

The threat of explosion due to heavy concentrations of airborne flammable gases prompted police to call in a bomb squad. The motel had to be evacuated while the squad dismantled the laboratory gadgets and cleared the room of the gases.

Officers first learned about the drug lab when they returned to the motel — where the stolen

Chevrolet was first spotted — to question the manager and any remaining occupants in Kibbee's room, where they found Jones.

According to police reports, Kibbee originially identified himself as Ward Frank Ramsey III, although a jail slip issued by the San Francisco Police Department found in his pocket contained the name James F. Kibbee.

The Villa Motel manager told police a man using the name Ward Frank Ramsey had checked into a room the night of Sept. 14,





El Cerrito Plaza's
30th birthday
celebration
brought on a lot
of reminiscing
and more than a
few surprises
about the
historical mall's
past. Above,
Evelyn Olson,
George Olson,
Jean Siri and
Coleen Stweart
cut the cake.
Left, at the
plaza's hula
contest, Hayley
Strandberg, 5,
proved it's never
to late to learn
the ancient art.

Kennedy Students Blamed for School Damage There

EL CERRITO -- Vandalism at Kennedy High School in Richmond brought a bitter end to a week of high spirits when the the campus was defaced with paint and axe blows late Thursday

night.

As of Wednesday, about 20 Kennedy students admitted to being on campus during the vandalism, agreeing to pay for the damages and work to clean up paint and replant trees, said Kennedy Principal Lavonya DeJean. "Some were smoked out by the district police," said DeJean, but others came forward voluntarily. "I respect that, coming forward and accepting responsibility," she said.

said.

No other disciplinary action is planned, but "they will have to pay for the damage," said De-Jean, who said she wants students to move forward from the experience with a positive attitude.

Kennedy students were suspected of being responsible for the damage, which resulted in the cancellation of the El Cerrito High-Kennedy High football game, almost as soon as it was seen.

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Several saplings were cut down and full-grown pines in a campus enclosure showed gouges from axe swinging. Maintenance teams worked to clean graffiti from smooth surfaces Friday, but by the day's end messages were still

scrawled on concrete walks. Some read "EC Territory" and "The Sappy Seagles Ain't Nothing," apparently a play on the school mascot, the eagle.

Well before the conclusion of investigations by Kennedy administrators and Richmond Unified School District police, students and staff reached a consensus that Kennedy students were behind the damage, said Delean.

Over-zealous Kennedy students were trying to "frame" El Cerrito High, while boosting their own drive to win the game, said Eagles team members Friday, surveying the damage after school. "They were trying to hype us up," said Ramon Garcia, a junior running back.

Garcia, still in the iersey work

Back.

Garcia, still in the jersey worn to class on game days, acknowledged that the plan to excite students about the game was not successful. "The Kennedy image was ruined," he said.

Garcia said that he did not believe any football players were involved in the damage, but DeJean said the committee of responsible students was composed of members of all campus groups.

groups.

She declined give specifics, but said it would be a mistake to assume no football players were involved. "You can never assume anything," said DeJean, laughing.

Kensington Town Meeting

Cable Gets Bad Reception

RENSINGTON -- Residents aired their frustrations about the city's cable television service at a Sept. 14 town meeting at Kensington School.

About 125 people came to the meeting, sponsored by the Kensington Improvement Club and attended by Supervisor Tom Powers, to learn about the country's proposed new cable ordinance and the impending franchise renewal with Century Cable. Sara Hoffman, the country's able specialist, outlined some of the improvements in the new ordinance, such as standards for how often the cable company's phone can ring before being answered, and specifications for whether a service visit will occur in the morning or afternoon.

But the real concern among residents seemed to be over the cable company's iron grip on the Kensington market. Several people at the meeting complained that they had been essentially coerced into a contract with a company that isn't delivering the goods.

"There is a presumption under the city's cable television show the same transported at the meeting stems from Century's aging equipment. Some customers, for example, find they need one or more converter boxes on what they believed to be a "cable ready" television, and many are unable to use their remote controls.

Interruptions in service and bad reception have also been common experiences, they said.

Those residents said they fear Century will make no effort to improve if it is all but assured a franchise renewal.

"What kind of incentive does this company have to do anything for us?" one man asked. "We need threats — we need to be able to say that if they don't provide, we'll get someone else."

"You're the incentive, whether you choose to subscribe or not," said Hoffman.

"That's not a choice," the man responded, to widespread applause.

Hoffman acknowledged that Century's customer satisfaction ranks in the bottom 30 percent of cable suppliers in Contra Costa

See back page

Fish filcher flees

by Christina Dravis

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El Cerrrito — The following is
a summarized list of recent crime
that occurred in El Cerrito, as
reported by police.

Business Burglaries
Tropical Fish World, San
Pablo Avenue, reported \$500
missing Sept. 9. The thief entered
the shop through an unlocked
rear window. A fin count was not
disclosed.

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On Sept. 10, the window of a car at Black Oak Motors was smashed. Stereo equipment worth \$500 was stolen.

A woman brought an empty bag into Capwell's on Sept. 10, toted \$250 worth of clothing into a fitting room, put the clothing in the bag, then tried to leave the store. She was stopped and taken

• Also that day, a shoplifter entered Safeway with two empty brown paper bags, yet left the store with two quite full bags. Over \$50 worth of Safeway merchandise was recovered by store employees.

• An answering machine and a \$500 microwave were reported missing from a home on the 2700 block of Del Monte Street on Sept. 13.

• Power tools worth \$125 were evolved from a home on the 2700 block of Del Monte Street on Sept. 13.

Residential Burglaries

Residential Burglaries

A crook entered a home on the 700 block of Liberty Street on Sept. 9 through a rear door that was left open. Missing items, valued at \$150, included a telephone and a purse.

Keys left in the unlocked laundry room of a house on Santa Fe Avenue gave a prowler easy entry Sept. 11. He used the keys to unlock the house, then stole a microwave and two six-packs of beer. A VCR and VHS tapes also stolen have since been recovered.

Thefts

Power tools worth \$125 were stolen from a home in the 900 block of Sea View Drive on Sept.

On Sept. 17, an in-dash stereo and woman's clothing were taken from a car on the 1800 block of Liberty Street.

Auto Thefts

A brown '81 Cadillac was stolen from the 600 block of Lexington Street on Sept. 9.

A suspect forcibly stole a brown '88 Hyundai from a bank parking lot on Sept. 9. A woman's purse, containing \$3 cash, was also taken.

Freeway hit and run

The following is a partial list of crime in Albany, according to police reports for the previous week:

week:

Thefts

A Pub customer entered the establishment, fixed himself a drink, and while behind the counter, removed money from the unattended cash box.

The owner of a Datsun foiled attempts by two men to steal a car stereo from his vehicle. The suspects fled when the victim confronted them, but both were taken later taken into police custody.

A bike was stolen on the 900 block of Ramona Avenue. The bicycle is described as a black

18-speed Peugeot, Orient Express, mountain bike.

What a car deal!

A brand new 1989

Volkswagen Jetta was stolen from Val Strough VW on San Pablo Avenue when a man who said he wanted to test drive the vehicle drove off with the car and never returned.

returned.

• A car wash customer told police that \$600 worth of checks and cash were stolen from underneath his car's floormats

• Hit-and-run
• A man walking eastbound on Interstate 80 sustained serious injuries when he was hit by a fastmoving vehicle. The hit-and-run incident occurred near the Pierce

Street off-ramp and was reported at 12:27 a.m.

• A cat was run over by a hitandrun driver on the 1400 block of Portland Avenue.

Brawl

• Police were called in to stop

Brawl

Police were called in to stop a fight between two blind students at the Orientation Center for the Blind on Adams Street. Both students reported no injuries and both agreed to "remain calm for the rest of the evening."

Case of the barking dog

Resident calls in to complain of barking dog at the 1100 block of Talbot Avenue.

Another neighbor calls police to complain about barking

Special Albany session to name lands consultant

The Albany Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a special meeting tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the City Hall to review proposals from three consulting firms to revise and update the city's General Plan. After interviews and evaluation, the commission will recommend one of the firms to the City Council to do the

work.
From 7:30 to 8 p.m. the commission will establish the procedure for interviews and selection. From 8 to 10 p.m. interviews of representatives of Lisa Newman & Associates, Duncan & Jones and Joan Lamphier & Associates, the firms under consideration, will take place followed by a review and evaluation period.

dog at the 1100 block of Talbot Avenue.

Avenue.

Barking dog escapes from back yard of 1100 block Talbot Avenue home. Animal control officer dispatched to locate and capture the German Shepard.

Battery

An El Cerrito man hails a patrol car near the corner of San Pablo and Garfield avenues to report that he was allegedly roughed up by a grocery store security guard. The victim said he was trying to "get to know" the alleged assailant, who then "fired on him," according to the victim, at a local bowling alley.

Last century's cable co.

Letters to the Edit

Editor:

Over the years I have complained about the (last century) Century Cable TV Company Albany is forced to use. Since the cable franchise is now up for renewal, Albany citizens are requested to write to Cable TV Renewal, Recreation & Community Services, 1000 San Pablo Ave., Albany 94706.

My two major complaints are echoed by many neighbors. Number one is the incredibly bad reception caused by Century Cable TV's archaic system. As is typical, Monday night it snowed so badly for 10 minutes I missed seeing an important segment of a program. The night before, reception was defective for almost as long. Each day I only had my TV on for an hour.

When I first moved to Albany and hooked up. reception was so

on for an hour.

When I first moved to Albany and hooked up, reception was so marginal I thought my TV was to blame. The TV repair company I called told me to check with my neighbors first. Century Cable was probably to blame. It was and little has improved in the years since. If TV reception continues at the present low level, will Century refund money for the many times reception is defective?

Number two, complipancity and quality of TV channels presentifing in the sepecially has since we are so close to Bay Cable Vision with \$13.95 a month, 10 for seniors, Berkeley eview 50 basic channel 60 and 32, two importional TV stations.

I have found that the of Albany citizens be education for themselve their children. Certainly Channels 32 and 60, others, were included interpackage, many non-sulve would subscribe and my dropped Century Cable return. It's hard to exconclusion: Improvement of the conclusion of the conclusion. reception, service and mechannels should pay of somely in additional recentury Cable TV.

Corrections

In an article in last week's Journal on the Pine Place in El Cerrito, the store's owner, Lois Flick, was erroneously identified as Linda Frick.

In the same issue, an article on Kensington's Community Council stated that the Youth Hut is part of a parcel of land leased by

the community from the mond Unified School Diag fact, the Youth Hut is on subdivision owned by ington, unlike the city recreation facilities, who leased from the RUSD

The Journal regrets the

BB gun crime wave

By Christina Smith

Kensington.

Malicious Mischief

Police Chief James Bray reported
a streak of auto vandalism in the
community last week and said an
additional patrol has been added
to the night shift in an effort to
catch the vandals. He suggested
that in the meantime if residents
have garages they should use
them.

♠ An officer discovered a 1985
BMW on Ardmore with the driver door window shattered by a BB on Sept. 9.
♠ An officer discovered a police vehicle parked in front of the police station with the rear window shattered and the right rear window broken out on Sept. 9.
♠ A man on Highland reported his windshield was damaged during the night by 2 BB shots on Sept. 9.

Sept. 9.

• A citizen on Kenyon reported rear window of vehicle broken out during the night on Sept. 9.

• A woman on Willamette reported her vehicle was the victim of vandalism on Sept. 9.

• A woman on Westminster reported her father's vehicle was vandalized by BB pellets that shattered the left rear window on Sept. 9.

Sept. 9.

• A woman on Willamette reported the driver's side window of her vehicle had been broken out on Sept. 9.

• A man on Amherst reported the right rear window of his vehi-

BENJAMIN MOORE'S

cle had been shattered by a BB

cle had been shattered by a BB pellet.

Thefts

A Pinole resident reported his Toyota was stolen on Highland on Sept. 10. The responding officer recovered a vehicle at that location stolen from Emeryville and believes the same person is responsible for both thefts.

An officer reported a 1986 Ford Bronco on Valley and Coventry had been burglarized and tools removed on Sept. 11.

A woman reported someone had entered her vehicle on Sept. 13 and taken the knobs to her rear window defogger.

A man reported the possible theft of a VCR from his home on Santa Fe on Sept. 14.

An Alamo resident reported his vehicle had been burglarized while parked on Kensington on Sept. 15.

Accidents

A man reported being involv-

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bicycle — bicycle collision

on Coventry and Lenox on Sept.

10. The other cyclist had left the
scene when police arrived.

A citizen reported that a
woman had fallen at Colusa Circle. The woman was transported

to Alta Bates Hospital on Sept.

A woman on Kenyon reported that someone drove by and hit her car and did not stop to exchange information on Sept. 11.
A man reported on Sept. 12 that he had been knocked down by a hit — and — run driver approximately one year ago and was still suffering from the resulting back injury.

Over the Phone
On Sept. 9 a womân reported

Over the Phone
On Sept. 9 a woman reported receiving threatening phone calls.
Albany police reported a 911 call on Windsor that was busy on call back on Sept. 12. The resident was calling Vienna.
Albany police reported a 911 hang — up call from Kenyon on Sept. 12. A young child was playing with the phone.
A woman on Oberlin reported on Sept. 13 that she had been receiving annoying phone calls for the last two months from a female subject.

female subject.

General Assistance

A woman on Yale reported she had locked herself out of her vehicle with her 13 month old child locked inside on Sept. 9. En-

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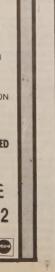
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46 years can't erase the vivid memories of Japanese internment

Weekend reunion draws thousands with common past

By Sherry Lebeck

remember in April of 1942.

jvil Control Administration ided all of us that we were to up and/or sell our belong- and prepare to be relocated. He seems were padlocked. We do in a great hurry because were given only one week to we'r she says.

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Irs. K, who wishes to remain nymous, was born and reared an Francisco, but was internduring World War II as a anese-American. In the Elidio home of her daughter, she its with quiet dignity about memories sparked by a kend reunion in Burlingame, fore than 1,000 Japanessericans from all over the lited States gathered last kend in Burlingame to comporate the 45th anniversary of closing of the Topaz Internicamp located in Utah.

Americans got us mixed up the Japanese citizens. They sidered us all spies," she says, was as though they thought (Japanese-Americans) had tething to do with dropping bomb on Pearl Harbor."

uses transported these people, were allowed to take only a they could carry, such as a, clothing, a tin cup, a dish utensils, to the Tanforan cetation Camp in San Bruno. y were also told to wear its. Antiques, furniture, peras, radios, and collectors' as were left behind, according Mrs. K.

We had no choice," she said. the didn't know where we were gexcept that we were moving someplace." M.P.s. with rifles od outside the buses. Mrs. K.

We had the suppose the suppose of the su

s, we would get shot.
eople were somewhat tearleaving friends, Caucasian
ls, who saw them off," says
K. "Others steered away
all this. Some (Caucasians)
they would vouch for the
ty of their Japaneseican friends. My concern

was that our family should stay intact. We had to fend for ourselves. I felt brave about that... protective toward my family."

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Once at Tanforan, Japanese-American families were made to live in narrow, white-washed horse stalls lit by a single light bulb. Mattresses were made of ticking stuffed with straw. From April until September 1942, Mrs. K., who was then in her 20s, shared a stall with her mother, father, younger sister, and brother.

"I sat there and cried when I saw where we had to live," she said. "I wondered what I had done to deserve this."

In September, Mrs. K. and her family were relocated to the internment camp in Topaz, Utah. "We were crowded into an antiquated train. It was stifling hot. The blinds were pulled down because we weren't supposed to look out. It was so hot. It was life the better than being transported on a freight train," says Mrs. K.

Early in the morning, the train stopped before its destination in the midst of a barren desert, to let people stretch their legs. "I remember M.P.s were lined up with rifles in the middle of the desert so we wouldn't run away. We didn't even know where we were. How could we think of running away?"

From there, the trainload of

We didn't even know where we were. How could we think of running away?"

From there, the trainload of Japanese-Americans were transported to Topaz and "greeted with a dust storm," according to Mrs. K. "Dust was in our hair and eyes. It was terrible. The morale of the people was below ground-level," she says.

"It was a God-forsaken country of sage and dust. Each family was given one large room in which to live. There were no partitions, so we put up sheets and blankets to give some privacy. The barracks were brand new, but the inside walls weren't completed. Dust would come in and cover everything."

Food in the camp was government rations. "We ate a lot of



Memories of guard towers were prompted by Mrs. K.'s reunion with other internment camp survivors in Burlingam

potatoes, beans, and powdered eggs," says Mrs. K., wincing. Many of the supplies were sold on the black market before they reached the internment kitchens. Perhaps the most demoralizing factor of internment was the fact that the individual in each family who spoke the best English was promoted to head of household, according to Mrs. K. This meant that the patriarchal position of the father was often usurped by one of his children, leaving him feeling useless. Mrs. K. was her family's leader.

"I felt sorry about the whole situation," says Mrs. K., who found a supervisory position for her father, so he could save face, in a department where she worked as an administrative secretary. Her father had been a doctor coming from 13 generations of

"The entire thing was a tragedy that should never occur again. If it happened tomorrow, I wouldn't know which way to turn. I would board up the house and let things go," says Mrs. K. Mrs. K. firmly believes that money should be earmarked by the legislature for education of future generations, "so this atrocity doesn't happen again."

The \$20,000 reparation funds recently approved by the federal government are only "a drop in the bucket," says Mrs. K. "That money should have gone to the first-generation people in the camps. That's where it would have done the most good."

Meanwhile, the memories are fading, "People are ashamed to remember," says Mrs. K. "I'm sick and tired of powdered eggs," she adds.

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Try out for job help from Contra Costa schools

Contra Costa County
Superintendent of Schools
Ronald Stewart announced
recently that the Tryout Employment Program for Youth (TEPY)
conducted by his office is now ac-

the private sector.

The salary will range from \$4.25 to \$8 an hour, depending on the difficulty of the job.

Central county residents can get help at the Neighborhood Youth Corps, County Office of

Education, 77 Santa Barbara Rd Pleasant Hill.

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Newsmaker's Dossier



By Barbara Davidson

ALBANY -- Charles Keppel is noteworthy for at least two reasons:

One, he attended the same school in Brooklyn as Mae West.

Two, the 82 year old Albany resident has written 159 books of poetry and more than 8,000 poems in the past 20 years.

"They are very short," said Keppel. "I do not like to go to readings because by the time they

digest the title the poem is over."

Look, Ma, No Hands

Closure

Musculus sphincter ani

because I am not cut out for a lot of fuss. I would be embarrassed to sign books at Macy's or be recognized when I go Hunt's donuts. I am not a social person."

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Keppel considers himself to be a cross between Erica Jong and Jack Kerouac.

"The college crowd would downgrade me because my poems are so simple as to be subliterary," he said. "But in 50 years people might tumble over themselves because my poems are not high falutin'. I think if my kind of poems were found in the ruins like Sappho's they would make a sensation."

"I read a lot of poetry in Kenyon Quarterly, the New Yorker and the Swanee Review. I think their poetry is very wordy. Mine is cut to the bone. I once read to some church ladies and one them asked me, 'Mr. Keppel, what kind of poetry is that?' And I replied, 'Naked'. I think she blushed."

Void No ideas today

Fluttering in my forest

Nor does Keppel believe in verse. "To make it rhyme is like computer dating," he said.

"I would like to think that what I say is what other people would say if they could. Each poem is an idea which I deal with for better or worse. I do not have a theory about how to put it down. I just get it down as clearly and forcefully as I can."

Volumes of simple satisfaction

college to get educated," he said.
"Today people go to college to get trained for jobs."
"I do not have much patience with poets who have never done a day's work." Keppel worked first for a construction firm in Alameda as a carpenter's helper and timekeeper and then as a meter reader for PG&E for 30 years. When his first wife died, leaving him to raise three small boys alone, he said, "I always had time at night to do my thing after I finished reading to my children."

Keppel's poems have been published in Clearing House, an educational magazine in Washington, DC, and in the now would not have said."

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-Poet Charlie Keppel

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Obituary

Granted, a minor star.

But what a planetary dimming

When my lights go out...

"I cannot write to order,"said keppel. After majoring in English at Columbia University, which he describes as a blah experience, he took a job to pay the bills and did his writing on the side. "I went to

"If poetry comes not naturally as leaves to a tree, it had better not come all."

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-John Keats.

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A passion for penmanship

By Barbara Davidson

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calligrapher and designer Carla
Tenret became interested in her
art because she had bad handwriting. She got hooked during
her first class 16 years ago and has

been hooked ever since.

Calligraphy comes from the
Greek words kalli and grafos,
which mean beautiful writing.
But it is much more than that, according to Tenret. "There are so
many scripts, for example. Usual-

ters and history, it becomes more and more interesting. The script reflects the time in which it was written."

She continued, "Handwriting was the earliest form of communication. The Bible was hand written as were books about herbs, plants and whatever. Everything people wanted to know about was done and taught by hand. There were only a few people who knew how to write in ancient times. The clergy were the first because they were the ones who could afford to be educated. "Slowly it began to spread and, when a middle class developed during the Renaissance, it became f a s h i o n a b l e f o r t h e masses — then women were the ones who learned it first."

"People are wanting to learn more about writing by hand today because machines are taking over so calligraphy has become more popular," Tenret said. "Also, penmanship is not being taught in the schools as it used to be." There are 30 people enrolled in each of her two classes at Albany Adult School compared to 12-15 when she began to study the art form. She has been teaching for 12 years and free-lancing in her home at 623 Cornell for about the same length of time.

"I love it!" said Tenret. "It is my hobby and my obsession. I pray every night my eyes and hands will held out so I can do it as long as I live."

Tenret can letter on anything including her own clothes. One

sunny yellow cotton dress contains the first three lines of Wordsworth's well-known poem which begins, "I wandered lonely as a cloud..." Said Tenret, "It is a graphic statement; it is surface decoration; it is pretty. It is what I do."

She recalled a time when her youngest son, Jerry, had a narrow escape from his mom's pen. He was standing in the kitchen in his shorts cooking breakfast when Tenret noticed the grid pattern in the fabric similar to the kind of paper used in calligraphy. She didn't say a word but he knew what she was thinking and cautioned her to stay away from his underwear.

The walls of her-living room are filled with books on the subject, on shelves constructed by a loving and supportive husband. Tenret contends she has a better collection that that found in the public libraries with the possible exception of the San Francisco Library's Main Branch.

Tenret has lettered announcements, invitations, catalogs for large department stores, poems and, she says, "anything that people want lettered," including signs for the Dunsmuir House in Oakland. Wedding announcement business is heavy from May to August. From January to May there is an influx of certificates, diplomas, awards, resolutions for school districts or cities and retirement awards.

One customer commissioned Tenret to letter a scroll, then attached a resume to it and sent it to the Kennedy family to apply for a job with the Olympics. Another person requested hand lettered cards for what Tenret described as anatomically correct, naughty candy. She has also designed logos for business cards, created letterheads and done anything that people want to get printed. Her most unconventional solicitor of letterhead was a professional mercenary. She noted that logos created in a studio can cost from \$200 to \$400 but said she stays under that.

"Commercial calligraphy to interpret text in the form of artwork for exhibition. Tenret used to paint in oils before turning to calligraphy both selling and exhibiting her paintings. She believes her painti

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A lease is a binding legal agreement. Your attorney should draft or review the document before you commit to any terms.

The changing face of California families Two-career couples seek flexible job conditions

ng family. task force held its tenth

abilished in January, the nate purpose of the member task force is to design ic policy on the California y. It is divided into six work

s, each studying particular seconomic trend affecting prina's families. work groups must present of directions, model prosa and innovative legislation group as a whole for discussind vote. The proposals that provided in the legislature for review.

work," known for its support of flexible work options.

The need for public and private sector employers to develop workplace policies that accommodate family responsibilities in the interest of family stability, onthe-job productivity and workforce retention is one point the group said it feels very strongly about.

Another point of unanimous agreement is the need for parents, government, employers and communities to share the responsibility of ensuring that families have access to affordable, quality care

newly adopted child and to care for ailing dependents.

"When employees are asked what change they would like to see to help them balance work and family responsibilities, they always say they would like increased time flexibility, "said guest speaker Ellen Galinsky, president of the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

"They do not want to lie when their kids are sick. They want their kids' sicknesses to be legitimate reasons not to come to work," she said.

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for children and other dependent family members.

Other group recommendations include flexible work options, such as job sharing, voluntary reduced work time, phased retirement, a compressed work week and flexible time and workplace.

The group also emphasized the need for job-protected leaves enabling family members to spend time with their newborn or

Assemblyman Tom Bates, D-Berkeley, co-chairs the task force, and was responsible for the introduction of a resolution that estabilished it.

"The need for both parents to work outside the home is not merely a matter of perception or lifestyle," he said. "It is documented by disturbing declines in family income and in the wages earned by male

alone.
"Despite its concern for family," Bates continued, "the United States is one of the few western nations without family support policies, like subsidized child care, parental leaves, flexible work time, employment security and family allowances. One reason is that in America these are seen as 'women's concerns."

reason is that in America these are seen as 'women's concerns.'
Senator Diane Watson, DeLos Angeles, also co-chairs the task force. Senator David Roberti, D-Hollywood, is the president protem. They are among the task force's six legislative members.

The 20 public members of the task force are experts in several areas of family policies. Ten of them are Senate appointees and the other ten are Assembly appointees.

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The task force's next meeting will be on October 7, 1988, in Los Angeles, when the work group "Helping couples stay together" will present its policy recommendations.

Other workgroups — "Helping parents parent," "The silver opportunity," "Families in peril" and "Preparing today's children and families for tomorrow's workforce'" — have already presented their policy recommendations.

The final task force report will

recommendations.

The final task force report will be released and sent to the state Legislature for review sometime in early spring.

'Ozzie and Harriet' don't work in the '80s

By Chris Treadway
EL CERRITO -- The California family, already quite different from the stereotypical household of the 1950s, will be even more drastically changed by the turn of the century and the state must prepare to meet its needs.

That was the message Assemblyman Tom Bates presented at a Sept. 14 luncheon of the Sons In Retirement at the Cerrito City Club.

"It's crucial," he said in a later interview. "It's a crisis situation."

The scope of the task force's objectives takes in virtually every element of California society, from youngest to oldest, richest to poorest.

to poorest.

According to the task force fact

- "Fewer than 10 percent of all rewer than 10 percent of all families conform to our Ozzie and Harriet image of a full-time stay-at-home mother and a full-time breadwinner father raising two or more children." In 80 percent of California homes, both parents work.
- The number of single-parent families has doubled in the last decade. One in four children lives with a single parent.
- California has the second highest teen pregnancy rate in the nation. Most teens choosing to have their babies are unmarried.

In addition, by the year 2000, the task force says:

● The state's population under age 18 will increase by 25 percent, while the number of people 85 and over will jump by 81 percent.

● Asians, blacks and Hispanics

will make up the majority of California's population.
"I was trying to point out that the family is changing rapidly," Bates said of his talk in El Cerrito.
"We want to develop a policy to help the workforce," he said. "We have to invest in our children. It's cheaper to put people through Harvard than it is to put them in jail in California."

The changes aren't confined to the young or parents, he said. The part of his talk to the Sons In Retirement that generated the most interest, he said, was "the part about doing away with disincentives for the elderly to get married."

He also pointed out that the vorkforce as a whole is getting lder as people stay in their jobs onger.

Once the task force has agreed n its overall objectives, Bates on its overall objectives, Bates said it would take "a public sec-tor, private sector partnership," to implement them. The task force's first report is due out in November or December.

While many businesses have been responsive to the alarm the task force is sounding, others will continue to resist, he said, "until we can get them out of their old mode.

"We're not talking about man-dating, we're talking about con-vincing them this is what we need to do."

to come to work."

-Ellen Galinsky

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Chamber News

Congrats, EC Plaza

The El Cerrito Plaza 30th An-The El Cerrito Plaza 30th Anniversary gala reception was a very refreshing event Friday evening, visiting with many old friends including Kathy Seabury, former Plaza manager, current, Manager Evelyn Olson and Zenaida Garvey, marketing director, along with many Plaza tenants and city council members. They were all introduced by Barbara Bacon, president of the Plaza Merchants Association.

The week-long festivities were culminated with a barbecue at the Plaza on Saturday with a great feeling of community seed to be complimented on a job well done, with special recognition for the chefs extraordinaire, Bill Fernando and Clyde Figone.

The whole week of events was planned very well for all of the community to enjoy and all involved in the planning are to be congratulated.

Volunteers immune

A California Chamber-

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Volunteers Immune

A California Chambersponsored bill to provide immunity for volunteer directors and officers of non-profit associations passed the legislature on the closing day of the legislature session.

SB 1755 (Lockyer) provides protection for good faith but negligent decisions for volunteers in organizations designated as 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code. The immunity is available only if the non-profit group carries general liability insurance at a minimum of \$500,000 and \$1 million if the budget exceeds \$50,000.

For other non-profit groups

For other non-profit groups that are 501(c)(1, 4, 5, 7 and 19), the bill provides a "pleading hurdle." In other words, before volunteer directors and officers of groups like civic leagues or public golf courses can be sued, the complaining party must have a hear-

ing before a judge and demonstrate there are grounds to add the volunteers to the lawsuit against the non-profit group.

"Passage of SB 1755 is a major victory for non-profit associations throughout the state," said California Chamber President Kirk West. "It also shows the power of grass-roots efforts by the action network of 400-plus local chambers of commerce. They generated hundreds of letters and phone calls to legislators on this issue."

In developing the immunity bill, the major tort reform legislation of the session, the California Chamber worked closely with the California Medical Association.

Municipal trash & gerbage
The Environmental Protection Agency has proposed tough new rules for the country's municipal trash and garbage dumps.

The plan requires all solid waste landfills to be:

• equipped with groundwater monitoring devices;
• cleaned up if found to be leaking contaminants into underground aquifers;
• capting with water-proof covers if the sites are closed; and
• restricted in new site locations.

Compliance details are relegated to the states as long as dumps do not impose any greater danger to humans than a 1-in-10,000 chance of causing cancer from contaminated, leaking water.

The California Waste Management Board has primary authority for regulating municipal landfills. According to the board, the proposed federal regulations have been a part of California state law for some time. No significant impact from the proposed regulations is anticipated, since California already has in effect some of the most restrictive pollution control laws in the nation.

Help kids with math and subtract cable fees

West County and Berkeley residents have a unique opportunity to support a worthwhile local educational program and save themselves some money at the same time. All through the back-to-school month of September, Bay Cablevision will provide Cable TV installation for new subscribers or upgrade service for current subscribers when they make a donation of \$15 or more, payable to Project SEED.

tion, is dedicated to improving math and science skills of low income elementary school children in the West County and Berkeley areas. Residents who contract for cable and make their donations to Project SEED during September will not only save on normal installation charges but will also help assure the continuing presence of this valuable educational program.



Golden days

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Nordby of Albany celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary this summer at the Oakland Convention Center Olympic Room.

Over 100 guests dined and danced at the party hosted by their children, Adrienne and

Heal It Through The...

Grapevine

By Lynda Efros

Caffeine count

Can you give me specific information on the caffeine content of different teas? This is a tall order! Feel free to limit yourself to a few of the many varieties.

The ones that particularly interest me are, on the strong side: Yerba mate and "Morning Thunder" (a brand), and the more regular strength teas such as orange pekoe, English Breakfast, black, Earl Grey, and maybe Lapsang Souchong. How about 'green'" tea? How do these com-

black, Earl Grey, and mayoe Lap-sang Souchong. How about "green" tea? How do these com-pare to coffee? What you can dig up on this challenging subject would be much appreciated. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely, Henry Dreyfuss

The Grapevine is a regular column in The Journal featuring common health questions answered by Lynda Efros, health educator, stress and weight management consultant and proprietor of HealthBreak, a health counseling service.

Dear Lynda:

Dear Henry:

Thank you so much for a letter addressing one of my favorite subjects, tea. Really, I have always found tea and the rituals that surround it fascinating and comforting. Since my trip to Victoria, B.C., last year, I guess I've become an even more avid fan of the pasttime. Luckily, "Tea at 4" or anytime can be fun and healthy too. (Put back that scone. Just bidding.) Herb teas, decaffeine than tea (including all herbal and decaf. varieties). But some coffee has more caffeine than others, and some teas, such a yerba nate, are reputed to be as strong as coffee.

Can you give me specific infor-

Community Folk

By Clara-Rae Gens

Local achiever gets gra

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He is a mathematician who does research in number theory. He is an associate professor who teaches mathematics at UC Berkeley. He is a youthful 32-year-old recipient of the MacArthur Foundation grant known by many as the "genius grant." He is also disabled, suffering from multiple sclerosis.

This last fact brought him to my attention, when Peggy Hecker, who works with him on the El Cerrito Committee for Disability Rights, called me. Robert Coleman, she said, is a very interesting person and is the founder of the El Cerrito Committee for Disability Rights.

Having no idea what to expect, I was greeted at the door of his El Cerrito home by a dark, intense looking young man in a wheel chair who handled himself easily and naturally and put me at ease at once.

"Why did the John D. and

and naturally and put me at ease at once.

"Why did the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation give you the grant?" I asked. "I guess they liked what I did," he answered, but was kind enough to show me the Foundation's newsletter which explained a little more. "Robert Coleman," it said, "is a mathematician known for new techniques in algebraic-geometric number theory and for formulating a theory of p-adic integration of differential forms which has had unexpected arithmetic applications." Oh.

And what is number theory?

And what is number theory?
Another quick trip to his files and he returned with a paper he wrote to explain it to journalists. It has helped. I understand it — I think. You can, too.

"Number theorists study all numbers but the most important numbers for them are the integers, 0, 1, 2 and -1, -2, -3. Second in importance is a larger set of numbers called the rational numbers which are rations of integers like 1/2 and 2/3 which are commonly known as fractions." The next paragraph begins, "This definition of rational numbers already rations already rational?" and it continues. It all does make sense if read carefully and certainly explains the fascination it holds for Coleman.

P-adic integration? Please don't ask. Coleman couldn't think of a simple way to describe it. In fact, at a recent talk he gave to a roomful of mathematicians, most of them didn't understand it either although, he says, some of them described it as excellent.

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York, is 82. Tina Rosen
freelance journalist, is 27.
Snowden, a comm
organizer, is 70, and o
Robert Coleman.

Robert Coleman is 32. Au goes.

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First Unitarian Church of Berkeley, I Lawson Rd., Kensington. Dr. Richard Boeke, Minister; Assistant Pastor Holly Horn Neuman. 525-0302.

The worship service at 10:45 a.m. Sept. 25 will be Touch the Earth, Reach the Sky, based on the experiences of 27 church members who attended the General Assembly last June.

The early morning service is at

General Assembly last June.

The early morning service is at 8:30 a.m. led by Lucille Parker; Personal Theology, led by Martha Helming, is at 9:30 a.m.

Sycamore Congregational Church, 1111 Navellier St., El Cerrito. 525-0727. Henry Ishizuka, Eigobu moderator; Sumie Kuramoto, Nichigobu moderator moderator.

moderator.

Mary Heath-Walter will preach
on The 18th Sunday After
Pentecost on Sept. 25. The
English worship service and
church school is at 11 a.m.
Fellowship hour in Adamson Hall
is at noon.

Northminster Presbyterian Church, 545 Ashbury Avenue, El Cerrito. Reverend Hugh Courtney Burroughs, Pastor.

Sept. 25 is Music Sunday featuring a beautiful, inspirational program with special guest musicians under the direction of Jan Jones, Music Director and Organist at 10:30 a.m.

Family Sunday School taught by Rev. Burroughs begins at 10 a.m. in the cottage adjacent to the parking lot.

The first meeting of a 3-week adult study group begins at 9:15 a.m. in the pastor's study. The subject is Living Loving and Caring Lives led by Maxine Schwab.

At a special reception following the service, Jean Ridone, who is moving to Oregon with his new wife, will be honored as a longtime member and elder of the church.

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St. John's School takes national curriculum honor

EL CERRITO -- St. John the Baptist School in El Cerrito has been honored by the U.S. Department of Education for national educational excellence, the only Catholic elementary school in California to receive such a recognition award this year.

Sister Carmel Crimmins, principal of St. John the Baptist since 1977, Sister Anne Maher, sixth grade teacher and Father Thomas O'Shea, pastor of St. John the Baptist Parish, traveled to the White House to meet President Reagan and to receive the award, Bishop John S. Cummins of the Catholic Diocese of Oakland also hopes to participate in the awards festivities.

The school submitted a 44-page

festivities.

The school submitted a 44-page report to the Department of Education to win the award explaining the school's philosophy, goals, curriculum, character development of students and relationship with the community. The report concluded, "First and foremost, St. John the Baptist is a Christian community where administrators, faculty and parents work together for the overall good of children."

St. John the Baptist is one of 10

good of children."
St. John the Baptist is one of 10
Bay Area schools and 286 schools
nationwide to receive the excellence award, out of 648 schools

nominated. St. John also had a two-day campus visit from Department of Education representatives who interviewed teachers, students, administrators and officials from the Catholic Diocese of Oakland which oversees the elementary school.

"We feel very proud to win this award," said Crimmins. "The award represents the people who work so very hard at St. John's to make the school the best educational experience possible for its students. We have always worked. well with the local community and our school has a long tradition of strong parental support. These are two factors that helped us earn this award."

St. John the Baptist, on San Pablo Avenue in El Cerrito, enrolls 292 students in grade K-8. The school's ethnic composition is diverse with 26 percent of its students Asian or Pacific Islander, 10 percent Hispanic, 31 percent black and 33 percent white. The school was founded with the help of the Sisters of Mercy (from Waterburg, Ireland) in 1957 and the sisters have conducted the school since that time. Crimmins said that the school plans a ceremony in October on campus to celebrate winning the excellence award with officials in attendance.

Club Corner

El Cerrito Lions Club
The club has returned

The club's current fundraiser II selling Halloween candy for \$2 a bag.

Albany-El Cerrito Kiwonis Club

The club's most recent project was participation in the Solano Stroll. Gary Buffon was the speaker at the Sept. 6 meeting. His program was on goal setting and following through on the specific plan.

Regular meetings are held every Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. at Carrow's Restaurant in El Cerrito.

Contra Costa County

A 3-day seminar for beginning researchers in genealogy will be held Oct. 1, 8 and 15 at the Pleasant Hill Adult Education Center from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Julia Purdie, teacher and past president of the society, will conduct the classes.

Topics include how to get started on your family history, how to use genealogy forms, local resources such as libraries and government records, micorfilm readers and how to preserve old family records.

The registration fee of \$15 includes the classes and a guide book. For more information call 933-6555 after 6 p.m.

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Rotary Club of El Cerrito
Charles Stevens, a registered investment advisor, will present a program on tax credits and tell the best kept secret of the tax law at the Sept. 22 meeting.
Paul Harris Fellowships, part of Rotary's scholarship program, were presented to Verne Odlin, Kay Fretland and Charles Weaver at the Sept. 8 meeting.
El Cerrito Rotary meets every Thursday at 12:15 p.m. at the Cerrito City Club.

Kensington-El Cerrito
Republican Assembly
John French, a member of the Central County Republican Assembly, will be the speaker for the Sept. 30 meeting. French has travelled extensively throughout Central America and lived in

Nicaragua. His program will include a videotape of Oliver

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Meetings are held at Spenger's in Berkeley. Social hour is at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7. The cost is \$12 for adults and \$6 for young people. Call 524-5689 for reservations.

The Contra Costa County Republican Assembly will hold a barbecue at the fairgrounds in Antioch on Sept. 25 from 3 to 6 p.m. The cost is \$33 per couple and \$19 per guest. For more information call 938-8088.

San Pablo Pines Stamp Club A stamp auction will be

A stamp auction will be featured at the Sept. 26 meeting and a show and tell program on Oct. 3. The club meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Kidd Manor in San Pablo. Visitors are always welcome.

welcome.
Of interest to local philatelists will be the East Bay Collectors Club Stamp Show on Oct. 1 and 2 at the Richmond Elks Club in El Sobrante from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

at the Richmond Elks Club in El Sobrante from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. East Bay Heritage Quilters
Julie Silber will present a program on ten quiltmakers and their grandmothers on Sept. 26 from 7:30 p.m. at the First Unitarian Church in Kensington. The slide lecture will include quiltmakers Everyone is welcome to attend.

United Anglers of Colifornia State Senator Dan McCorquodale will be the keynote speaker at the UAC's annual meeting at 7 p.m. on Sept. 24 at the Marin Rod and Gun Club in San Rafael. The meeting is open to the public.

The 3-hour event will highlight this year's efforts to same and restore the state's sport fisheries. Abe Cuanang, well-known authon and angler, will speak on sturgeon fishing in San Francisco Bay.

Founded in 1981, the UAC is now California's largest fishery conservation organization, representing over 40,000 anglers, sport fishing businesses and affiliated sport fishing groups. For more information call 845-3533.

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National Association of
Retired Federal Employees
The association will meet on
Sept. 27 at the Grace Lutheran
Church Hall in El Cerrito at 1
p.m. The East Bay Dye Center
will furnish a speaker. There will
be a white elephant sale. For information call 222-4590.

On The Calendar

The Albany Library sponsors a preschool storytime series for children 3 to 5 every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. from Sept. 29 to Nov. 10. Led by Paul Rockwell, children's librarian, storytime include a half hour of stories, stretches, chants and poetry. Max, the Albany puppet, will be on hand. The library is at 1216 Solano Ave.

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The Kensington Senior Center sponsors a cruise of the western Caribbean April 16-23 led by center director Angela Lalime and her husband, Roger. There will be unusual and interesting ports of call plus the Panama Canal.

For information, including a

complete itinerary and cabin prices aboard the Regent Sun, write Caribbean Cruise, 1104 Richmond St., El Cerrito 94530 or call 525-1679.

The VIP Advantage, a network of services for people 55 and over sponsored by the Brookside Hospital in San Pablo plans as the Sept. 27 program a talk on Nutrition by the hospital dietician. For more information on the VIP Dining Club and programs call 234-8111.

A workshop for widowed men and women will be held Sept. 29 at 7:30 p.m. sponsored by the

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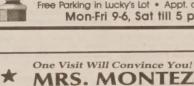


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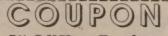
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Albany's newest committee outlines its safety projects

By Bobby Calvan

ALBANY -- A proposed work program for the city's newly established Safety Committee has been approved by the City Council.

The Committee for response

Council.

The Committee, formed in response to a CaloSHA mandate arising from city hall's recent asbestos troubles, will receive \$1,500 to fund its proposed workshops and projects.

The program is intended to:

Review and make recommendations on all safety-related claims against the city, including workers' compensation claims, city employee accident reports, and claims by the public.

Initiate site inspections and establish safety standards for City

ty employee accident reports, and claims by the public.

Initiate site inspections and establish safety standards for City Hall, the various departments, and outlying city properties, such as the Senior Center, parks, and corporation yards.

Create an annual safety "checklist" as part of the city's budget process that recommends safety-related items to be funded in the budget.

Initiate an information and outreach campaign for city employees, which will include at least two workshops. One work shop will deal with general worksafety and safety consciousness;

The committee is consistent of the city's risk management/loss control policy, to explore ways to lower the city's insurance liabilities.

The committee, which has already met twice, is made up of city officials and employees from various city agencies. Public Works Director Ron Leffer is the committee chairman. Employees are also represented on the committee.

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CalOSHA issued three citations against the city, June 9, for improper handling of asbestos-laced ceiling material at the police department. The Safety Committee was set-up in response to the agency's finding that no "adequate" information was given to city employees regarding the "unique" hazards of asbestos. To correct the citation, the city was required to set up a program to inform employees of possible safety or health hazards.

The committee said it will not limit itself to the problems of asbestos, but will also look into potential safety hazards citywide.



Albany cuts its 80th

Albany celebrated 80 years of bayside pride Monday night with a birthday cake and a group of pre-day celebrants. Officially, the birthday is today.

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negotiations in January.
The 20 year agreement actually
expires in June 1989, and Hoffman said the county will probably
ask for a 10 year franchise
renewal, the minimum recommended by the 1984 federal
deregulation act.
Another controversial topic at
the meeting was the recently proposed Kensington Municipal Advisory Commission.

posed Rensington Municipal Advisory Commission.

The five member MAC could do everything but tax if given full powers by the county board of supervisors. In Kensington it would function primarily as a planning review board that would make recommendations to the

County Planning Commission, Supervisor Tom Powers said.

The five members would probably be appointed by the Board of Supervisors, although the proposal allows for an election if the community prefers.

Although a MAC has been used successfully in Oakley since 1983, several citizens at the meeting questioned whether there was a need for such a commission in Kensington, where the land is already developed and few variance applications are filed.

One resident also expressed concern that the county will not provide funds for the administration of the commission. Powers

explained that the MAC would be virtually cost free because "it would be run by existing people at existing facilities. It's not designed to create an additional layer of

ed to create an additional layer of government."

The Board of Supervisors will make a decision on the proposal next month "based on the type of input from the community," said Larry Organ, Powers' chief of staff. He encouraged citizens to call or write Powers with their ideas about the subject.

The other issue raised at the meeting was a proposal for maintaining the landscaping along the Arlington Avenue median and Colusa Circle. Currently, the county provides no maintenance

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and only checks the landscaping for safety hazards about twice a

for safety hazards about twice a year.

A basic maintenance plan of bimonthly visits by county workers would cost \$10,000 or about \$4.50 per resident per year, Powers said. The city could opt to have a sprinkler system installed and new plantings for an additional one-time charge of \$75,000 to \$100,000, or \$40-\$45 per resident.

The city also has the option of contracting with a private company if that proves to be less expensive, Powers added. The proposal will be discussed further at the next meeting of the Kensington Improvement Club.

Solano Avenue pegge for utility wire clean

By Bobby Calvan

ALBANY - The City Council put aside its committee recomendations and selected Solano Avenue for a proposed underground wiring project, at a well attended meeting Monday

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The vote was 2 to 1 in favor of Solano Avenue instead of Peralta Avenue, which was recommended by the Undergrounding Utilities Committee at its Sept. 8 meeting.

Councilman Henry Kruse was the dissenting vote. Mayor Ed McManus and Councilman Robert Nichols both abstained, claiming a conflict of interest. Both Nichols and McManus live on, or very near to, areas that were considered for the project.

A date for a public hearing will be set next week at the Council's Monday night meeting.

Although only residents who own property along the affected area will be able to file formal complaints, the public hearing will be open to all city residents.

The proposed project, which would clean-up scenic views by burying overhead telephone and electrical wires into city sidewalks, will extend from Jackson Street westward to Cleveland Avenue along Solano Avenue.

The Council's action means it

Cleveland Avenue.

The Council's action means it can now take steps to form a special undergrounding district. This means residents along the affected site will be responsible for the still undetermined cost of the

project. The undergrou cost each household from \$200 to near \$1, ding to McManus. The Monday night selected a site for the p

Drugs...

large glass laboratory apparatus used to filter liquids. The vial was filled with an unknown brown li-quid, which was suspected as

drug-related.

A portable refrigerator brought in by the room's occupants contained what officers thought was ether or some similar type of volatile chemical, used for the production of P2P.

The car was first reported

stolen in July, according reports. An officer on spotted the car parked in Motel parking lot. He sup

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officers who are hired after already completing the academy. If they leave the force after completing their training new recruits could have to pay the city as much as \$24,567 for the costs of their training.
Police Chief Daniel Givens said he expects the program to bring in many new recruits.
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In other matters, members of the El Cerrito Committee for Disability Rights expressed satisfaction with the city's progress on disability rights.

The council delayed action on whether to sell surplus city property to make up for budget deficits until the city's negotiators have concluded their meetings.

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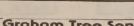


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Sports In Action

Hard-fought 28-14 victory spells hope

By Tim Laird

LBANY -- The Albany pars are beginning to make vers of their fans. After a victory over the California ol of the Deaf, the Cougars a 2 and 0 record. If Albany mues to play as well as they last Friday in Fremont, the mean only get brighter. The Cougars played a near et game except for the one h during the second half, any jumped out to a quick 7-0 early in the first quarter, stopping CSD, the Cougars quick jump on their first ofer play. Senior quarterback Velez hit Wolfgang Chini with a 28 yard touchdown, excellent pass was just one of yby Velez. Chincarini's extra made it 7-0 Albany, ter the Cougars' kickoff, the Eagles were stopped cold by libany defense. The Cougars' White then sprinted some 60 to the Eagles 19. (The thrill-

have had another TD had a penalty not been called on his teammates.) The exciting run ended the first quarter.

Albany wasted no time in extending their lead in the second quarter. Chincarini continued his impressive play with a 19-yard TD run. His extra point made it a 14-0 contest and gave indications that it was going to be an easy afternoon for the Cougars.

Albany quickly found out otherwise when Kevin Wallace streaked 75 yards into the end zone making it a 14-6 game. The Eagles failed on the two point try, keeping it an 8-point difference at half time.

Neither team did much offensively in the third quarter as the defense for both teams tightened up a notch.

The Cougars were very fortunate to still have a 14-6 lead.
Two turnovers gave CSD two golden scoring opportunities. However, Albany's defense held the Eagles in check and the fourth quarter started with the Cougars hanging on to a 14-6 lead.

That's when Velez took matters into his own hands.

With about six minutes left in

the game, Albany faced third down and three. Velez, showing CSD that he was a threat running the ball, kept the ball himself, picking up the first down. The carry was especially impressive considering he nearly fell short of the first down. However, his extra effort enabled him to lunge forward and pick up the needed yardage. Velez continued his remarkable quarter, during which he could not be stopped, by completing four consecutive passes, three from senior Luther Fleming. Velez again decided to run the ball, scampering 13 yards into the end zone untouched. This made it a 20-6 game. Chincarini's extra point gave the Cougars a comfortable 21-6 lead and, with just over three minutes left to play, the TD appeared to be the final nail in the Eagles' coffin.

CSD would not roll over and die. Wallace returned the Chincarini kickoff some 90 yards for a score and the Eagles were right back in the game. Quarterback Kevin Bella then hit receiver Manuel Sandoval for a two point conversion, making it an even closer contest, 21-14.

Albany then put the game away

when Velez, looking more like a fullback, bowled over Eagle after Eagle, going 40 yards for a touchdown and giving the Cougars a hard-fought 28-14 vic-tory over CSD

Notes on the game

The win would not have been possible had it not been for the following performances:

Senior Shammas Brown, for the second straight game, led the team in tackles. His eight tackles against CSD give him 1A for the young season.

Aerial offense, experience could make a winning year

ALBANY — The Albany High varsity football team would just as soon forget 1987. The Cougars were hammered game after game by ESAL opponents last season. For Albany the most positive part of the season came with the final game when they shut out Encinal 10-0 on a wet, soggy November afternoon. Closing the season with a league victory gave the Cougars hope for the 1988 season.

That season has arrived and with it, a two-game Albany winning streak. The Cougars followed up last season's ending victory with a win in their '88 opener. With one 'win in their back pocket, it appears that there might be light at the end of the tunnel.

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The Cougars have 11 players returning from last season. One, quarterback Raul Velez, has the ability to be the Cougar's version of pro signal caller Steve Young. Along with a good arm, Velez has speed, meaning he will also be called on to run the ball.

From the first game it is apparent that Albany's offense, which in past years has concentrated on running the ball, may take a more aerial approach.

Albany running back Wolfgang Chincarini will be busy, seeing time in the secondary as well as the backfield.

John White, one of the stars in the Cougar's to file the season with valuable experience. Player to the season with valuable experience. In order to have a winning back bonald to the season with valuable experience. Albany lost the services of the season with valuable experience. Albany running back Wolfgang Chincarini will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will provide a tough match. Encinal, Kennedy, Richmond, Alameda and Piedmont make up the remainder of the highly competitive circuit. The Cougars come to the season with valuable experience. Albany running back Wolfgang Chincarini will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again. St. Mary's, the early favorite, will be strong again

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Albany Bowl begins with a bang

ALBANY -- Although the 1988-89 league season is a mere two weeks old, Albany Bowl has already been the scene of a perfect game thanks to the heroics of Steve Wichelmann who highlighted the Sept. 14 session of the 930 Scratch League when he led off with 12 straight strikes to hit the coveted 300 mark.

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Steve would just as soon forget about the next two games, but his 608 total would indicate that he definitely rested on his first game laurels. Dave McNeese's steady 234-695 series easily topped the 3-game totals followed by John Taylor's 258-667, Lloyd Monroe's 277-633, Dave Volk's 224-623, Bobby Stevenson's 210-617, Ralph Willis' 216-617, Mick Mamaril's 236-610, Robert McCrainey's 265-607, Danny Luda's 246-603 and Lawrence Komo's 230-601.

Komo's 230-601.

The Bowl's weekly honors were captured by John Bruno who posted a sparkling 244-260-225-729 in the Junic./Adult League to narrowly edge Stefen Cincera's big 227-221-268-716 in the 880 Commercial. John Taylor missed an opportunity to head the honor roll when he arrived too late to bowl the first game in the Junior/Adult. However, John did roll 258-247 in the final two games.

Topping the women's weekly hit parade were Linda James' 205-582, Delcia Young's 240-578, Rosie Davis' 209-570, Marion Carter's 212-562, Karen Jordan's 214-554, Theresa Magana's 548, Claudia Bayless' 214-545 and Lisa Osibin's 545. Incidentally, Carter (longtime secretary of both the Brass Rail and Adam & Eve leagues) recorded her lifetime high series when she shot the 562 in the Brass Rail.

Included in other noteworthy individual efforts: Graphic Arts, Jim Brasiel, 226-629; Tom Christophe 205-609; Martin Heymans 225-599; AlJoe Mandoriao 221-599; Al Hiscox 217-596; and Hal Friis 202-595.

880 Commercial, Ed Josephson 249-663; Rick Urone 223-618; George Warren 246-607; Eddie Holmstrom 205-597.

Thursday Sleepers, Fred Burrell 230-637 and Willie Broach 225-617.

700 Scratch 4's, Dave Padilla 225-602; No Rollers, Michael Holmstrom 205-597.

Thursday Sleepers, Fred Burrell 230-637 and Willie Broach 224-589; Unior/Adult, Nick Mamril 245-639; E.B.N.B.A., Ed Takahashi 203-573; Reno invitational, James Harrington 210-582; Brass Rail, Marvin Jackson 232-578; Saturday K.T.T., Bob Thornton 238-577; Adam & Eve, Charles Randall 211-593.



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A free seminar on estate planning, sponsored by Dean Witter Reynolds, will be held Sept. 27 from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Lafayette Park Hotel in Lafayette. For reservations call Kim Underwood or Harriet Bielitsky at 839-8080.

A Fall Plant Sale will be held by the Friends of the Botanical Garden on Sept. 25 at the UC Botanical Garden on Centennial Drive. The sale features trees, shrubs, herbs and California native plants, many propagated from the Garden's extensive collection.

collection.

The Richmond Museum presents two slide lectures on Sept. 25. Our Bay and Ocean Coastline is at 1 p.m. and Lighthouses of the San Francisco Bay is at 2:30 p.m. Call 235-7387

for additional information.

Diane Gibson will show slides of her recent trip to Spain, Portugal, Gibralter and Morocco on Sept. 29 at 11 a.m. at the Kensington Senior Center.

The Owner Builder Center will hold a seminar, Owner as Contractor: Legal Aspects, Sept. 24 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the center in Berkeley.

The OBC is a non-profit educational organization. For more information call Sydney at 848-6860.

September birthdays will be celebrated at the Christ Lutheran Senior Center on Sept. 26. Afterwards Public Health Dietician Liz Varga will discuss cholesterol.

The St. James Senior Center will hold a Twelfth Anniversary Celebration on Sept. 28. After a salad bar lunch special entertainment will be provided by the center's choral group directed by Loraine Rickmond.

Schools Calendar

The phone number for the Richmond Unified School District is 234-3825. Listed below are the El Cerrito area schools, their specialties and phone numbers as well as school events for the coming week.

Castro Elementary
Sept. 22: Minimum day, Back-to-School Night, Parents only Sept. 29: Student Holiday, Teacher Inservice Day
The phone number for Castro School is 234-6200.

Fairmont Elementary
University Lab
Sept. 22: Minimum day, Back-to-School Night, Parents only
The phone number for Fairmont School is 525-5235.

Harding Elementary
Gifted-Talented
Sept. 22: Minimum day, Back-to-School Night, Parents only
Sept. 23-28: Bookfair
Sept. 27: PTA Potluck and Bookfair, 6:00-8:30 p.m., Auditorium
Sept. 28: Hearing Screening for

Auditorium
Sept. 28: Hearing Screening for

Kindergarten, 2nd, 5th grades
The phone number for Harding
School is 525-0273.

Kensington Elementary
Gifted-Talented
Sept. 22: Minimum day,
Back-to-School Night, Parents

Sept. 22: Minimum day,
Sept. 28: Kensington Student
Holiday, Teacher Inservice
The phone number for Kensington School is 526-7343.

Madera Elementary
Sept. 22: Minimum day, Back-to-School Night
The phone number for Madera
School is 235-4499.
Mira Vista Elementary
Classical Studies
Sept. 22: Minimum day, Back-to-School Night
The phone number for Mira
Vista School is 232-4064.
Adams Middle School
Gifted-TalentedInternational-Futures
Sept. 28: Minimum day, Back-to-School Night, PTA Meeting,
Bake Sale

The phone number for Adams Middle School is 235-5464.

Portola Junior High Sept. 28: Minimum day, Backto-School Night, 7 p.m., Bake Sale in Cafeteria

The phone number for Portola is 524-0405.

Visual/Performing
Arts/Humanities
Sept. 22: Forensics Parents
Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Little
Theater
Sept. 27: PTSA Meeting, 7:30
p.m., Little Theater, introduction
of new Principal Maria Robledo
and PTSA dues change
The school phone number is
525-0234.

Math/Science/Technology Sept. 30-Oct. 1: Play 'Barefoot in the Park', 7:30 p.m., cafeteria

The school phone number is 235-2291.

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This is not to say in any way that the '88 model is not better than the '79 model. The current GT model is without doubt the best Mustang ever built. The '88 GT still has muscular V8 acceleration, but this is now mixed with a handling package which puts the Mustang GT firmly in the performance car category.

Ford has used the German theory that a good product can be made better with yearly revisions, instead of using the traditional concept of designing a completely new model every two years.

This has paid handsome dividends for the prospective buyer as the '88 model has a significantly better price than comparable models from manufacturers who pop out a completely new version every couple of years. Our GT convertible had a sticker price of \$17,200 which for the size, style and performance is a heck of a deal.

On the street the GT still retains

deal.

On the street the GT still retains a pleasant heaviness I have come to associate with muscular American performance cars. It comes



The 1989 Mustang LX two-door convertible looks like another winner for Ford

The overall handling of the GT gives the driver a good sense of command, which for me translates into better vehicle control. The soft-rimmed steering wheel

came with a tilt mechanism which allows for a ready adjustment of wheel and seat positioning.

The front seats have excellent regnomics with a multitude of electric and manual adjustments. They have a decent amount of side bolster on both the squab and back which quite comfortably holds you in place. This is important to note, as the GT's suspension and tire package of P225/60 VR-15 Goodyear Gatorbacks produce a very high level of adhesion, and the last thing the driver and passengers need to be do is slide about.

It is also interesting to note that the convertible is not as strong a handler as the coupe version, even though they both have exactly the same platform. The loss of the steel roof structure is not completely matched by the strengthen

ing of the chassis after the top has been removed. This adds up to reduced body-shell rigidity which, in turn, means each corner can move about more than it should. The cowl and doors tend to shake

move about more than it should. The cowl and doors tend to shake slightly over broken surfaces.

I might point out that this is something only the most advanced driver will notice and even then, the convertible's handling is a reassuring fireball that will keep even those advanced drivers tooling along at speed. The suspension package is based on the excellent work that came with the now-defunct SVO Mustang that predates the GT model.

Inside, the gray cloth seats are matched with gray carpet and soft round gray dash panel. The controls area features a mix of stylish pod mounted push/pull switches and stalk mounted controls for

optional cruise control is moun-ted on the steering wheel spokes and, like the dash controls, falls easily to hand.

The instrument panel contains six analog gauges with the two major dials being a full swing tachometer and a matching speedo. Below the instruments are a pair of idiot light displays.

of idiot light displays.

In keeping with its GT name-plate, the convertible's 5-liter V8 delivered a hearty punch from even quite low revs right up to its red line. Zero to 60 mph times were observed in the seven second region and quarter mile times ran around the 16 second mark for the convertible. The mixture of the refined and meaty V8 with its 225 horsepower and 300 foot/pounds of torque meant that at virtually any stage the motor would and could produce a wide power band that gave excellent away-from-the-line performance as well as accelerative passing times.

Our test GT came with the optional four speed automatic which uses a lock-up torque converter that increases engine economy and lowers noise and vibration for the power train on the high-way. The combination of V8 and automatic transmission delivered 19 miles to the gallon for mixed city/country driving with a mixture of smoothness and power that hides under its winged and spoilered body.

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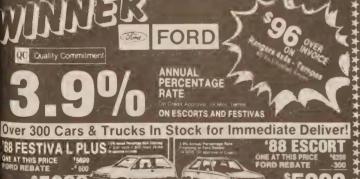


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The newly formed El Cerrito Committee for Disability Rights met with the City Council to explore the problems and needs of the disabled and make some requests. Thanks to an off-hand remark by one of the councilmembers, which upset many El Cerritans, there were a great number of people at the council meeting. "In fact, I think we overwhelmed them," Coleman smiles. Michael Winters of the Center for Independent Living in Berkeley sent out some letters and one of Coleman's colleagues at Cal who lives in El Cerrito and to ask force be set up to determine the needs of the disabled in El Cerrito and to expediously formulate a plan to meet these needs in a reasonable amount of time. Any new construction or major

renovations must comply with all state and federal requirements for accessibility. The appropriate city commission work with the disabled community will insure effective compliance, and the city council will make an effort to insure that persons with disabilities be appointed to public committees and commissions or task forces. The city council will actively support an application this September for a community development block grant for curb cuts and immediate steps will be taken to improve the service and attitudes of the drivers of the El Cerrito Dial-a-Ride.

Thanks to the fine support they have received, the council has agreed to comply with most of their requests. Although they are still looking for people interested in supporting the committee, they have found that many talented and supportive people are interested in disabilities. "This has been waiting to happen," Coleman says.

Coleman mentioned Pam Steneberg, who works with the Disability Rights Education and

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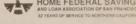
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Matson, an atheist, gave a summary of the ideas he is presenting in a new course on science and religion at Berkeley this semester. Dr. Stephen Smith of the New College for Advanced Christian Studies acted as a respondent. After an hour-long presentation, the 20-person audience posed questions and debated the issue. "The real crunch was captured by the Archbishop of Piza" said Matson, "who, when he heard Galileo was maintaining that the Earth moved and indeed was one planet and not the center of things, simply said, 'this is utterly incompatible with the view that the Universe was made for men."

In a talk that was both anthropolgical and philosophical, and quoted Hume, Spinoza, lames, and Nijetzeche Matson.

and have no great bearing ousurvial.

According to Matson, to
believe a certain plant is
poisonous is a low belief; it is
learned through direct experience
and is verifiable. Wrong low
beliefs perish. High beliefs are the
"products of imagination" but,
regardless of their accuracy, said.
Matson, "they can have very important consequences on your
behavior." Those high beliefs
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Even though high and low beliefs have always seemed integrated, "they were separated by an invisible membrane," said Matson, and high beliefs went unchallenged by low ones. With the advent of agriculture and the birth of scientific inquiry came "the rupturing of the membrane" because low beliefs could now be unified in a world view.

In his conclusion, Matson said that "the ominous signs of fragmentation and social disintegration" which are all around "can ultimately be traced to the fact that this membrane has been pierced." He then expressed his concern that "no one has satisfactorily found a way to give a truly scientific grounding for morals."

Smith responded indirectly to Matson's argument saving that

a truly scientific grounding for morals."

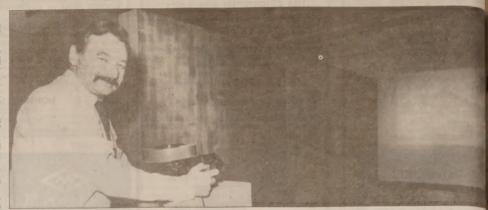
Smith responded indirectly to Matson's argument saying that Christianity is concerned with who and why" as oppossed to science's concern with "how." He said that Christianity provided the assumptions out of which we emerged.

Referring to Genesis 1, Smith aid, "It is not scientific so much as it gives us a perceptual precondition for being a scientist, that the world is not divine, but the world is real and it is rational."

In response to an audience member who felt that Smith had failed to address the question of whether science and religion are irreconcilable, Smith said, if you hold "a naturalistic world view that says the cosmos is all there is, was, and ever will be," Christianity and science cannot be reconciled because it is "world view that denies the possibility of anything to transcend the cosmos."

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